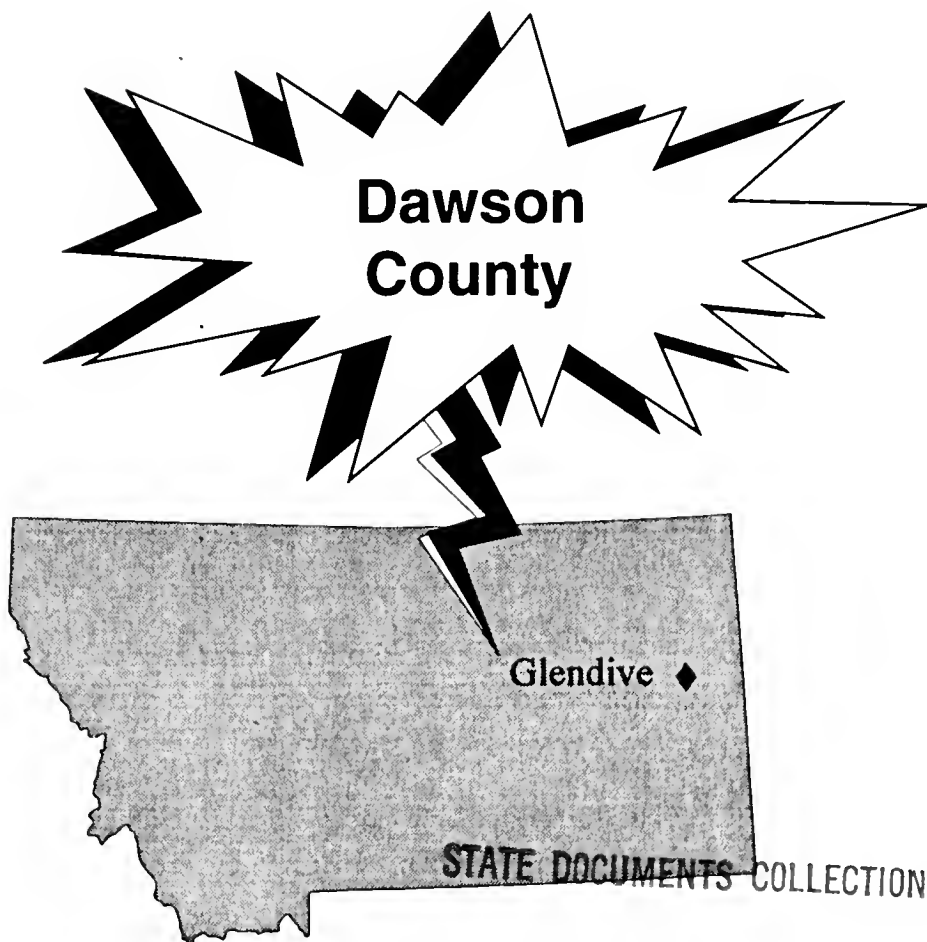


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**Cities and Towns in Dawson County**

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The most current county-by-county information can be found in our quarterly publication *Employment and Labor Force Trends*. And most of our information is on the Internet at <http://rad.dli.state.mt.us/>. In addition, we'll do our best to provide information in accessible format, on request, in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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Located in eastern Montana, Dawson County is Montana’s 21st most populous with 9,505 residents, according to the 1990 Census.

Glendive, the county seat, is the state’s 15th largest city with a population of 4,802. The city is known as “Paddlefish and Caviar Capital of the World.” The paddlefish average about 55 pounds and must be snagged with heavy rods and reels. Paddlefish roe is donated to the Glendive Chamber for processing into caviar and proceeds are donated to recreational projects. The area is also home to Makoshika State Park, located one mile from Glendive, where dinosaurs once roamed.

According to the *Montana Almanac*, by authors Andrea Merrill and Judy Jacobson, the county was established in 1869 and named for Major Andrew Dawson of the American Fur Company. The authors say Glendive was named “...by the first Montana tourist, Sir St. George Gore, an English sportsman who was reminded of a stream named Glendale in Ireland.”

According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, median income for Dawson County households in 1989 was \$23,414. The county is 2,383.2 square miles in area; 2,373.3 square miles in land area and 9.9 in inland water area.

County residents experience the four distinct seasons. According to the *Montana Almanac*, the average daily low in Glendive in January between 1980 and 1989 was 2.1 degrees above zero and average January snowfall 7.2 inches. The average daily high in July was 89.4 degrees above. The annual precipitation in 1995 was 14.23 inches and the length of the growing season 146 days.

Dawson County Population  
Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Area	7/1/98 Estimate	7/1/97 Estimate	4/1/90 Census	% Change '90 to '98	% Change '90 to '97
Montana	880,453	878,730	799,065	10.2%	10.0%
Dawson County	8,849	9,007	9,505	-6.9%	-5.2%
Glendive	4,421	4,507	4,802	-7.9%	-6.1%
Richey	236	241	259	-8.9%	-6.9%

# 1998 New Businesses by Industry

## Dawson County

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## Top 10 Private Employers In Dawson County

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Second Quarter 1999 Unemployment Insurance Information.

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Annual Average Labor Force For Dawson County				
Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
1970	4,689	4,552	137	2.9%
1971	4,548	4,381	167	3.7%
1972	4,759	4,592	167	3.5%
1973	4,979	4,785	194	3.9%
1974	5,119	4,958	161	3.1%
1975	5,038	4,845	193	3.8%
1976	5,307	5,121	186	3.5%
1977	5,327	5,089	238	4.5%
1978	5,792	5,534	258	4.5%
1979	5,803	5,603	200	3.4%
1980	5,962	5,782	180	3.0%
1981	6,815	6,599	216	3.2%
1982	7,176	6,685	491	6.8%
1983	6,746	6,073	673	10.0%
1984	6,615	6,248	367	5.5%
1985	6,327	6,022	305	4.8%
1986	6,112	5,774	338	5.5%
1987	5,753	5,417	336	5.8%
1988	5,666	5,400	266	4.7%
1989	5,072	4,819	253	5.0%
1990	4,850	4,666	184	3.8%
1991	4,767	4,571	196	4.1%
1992	4,802	4,609	193	4.0%
1993	4,859	4,677	182	3.7%
1994	5,019	4,882	137	2.7%
1995	4,752	4,572	180	3.8%
1996	4,739	4,589	150	3.2%
1997	4,790	4,636	154	3.2%
1998	4,991	4,784	207	4.1%

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research & Analysis (1999 Benchmark)

Summary of Major Occupational Categories By Sex 1990 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data Civilian Labor Force-All Persons			
Occupation	Total	Male	Female
<b>Total</b>	4,583	2,619	1,964
<b>Managerial and Professional Specialty Occupations</b>	902	522	380
Executive, Administrative and Managerial Occupations	405	300	105
Professional Specialty Occupations	497	222	275
<b>Technical, Sales and Administrative Support Occupations</b>	1,209	461	748
Technicians and Related Support Occupations	85	55	30
Sales Occupations	491	259	232
Administrative Support Occupations, Including Clerical	633	147	486
<b>Service Occupations</b>	848	204	644
Private Household Occupations	22	0	22
Protective Service Occupations	9	9	0
Service Occupations, Except Protective and Household	817	195	622
<b>Farming, Forestry, Fishing</b>	460	398	62
<b>Precision Production, Craft and Repair Occupations</b>	553	533	20
Mechanics and Repairers	234	234	0
Construction Trade	174	172	2
Extractive Occupations	40	40	0
Precision Production Occupations	105	87	18
<b>Operators, Fabricators and Laborers</b>	603	501	102
Machine Operators, Assemblers and Inspectors	85	60	25
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	360	321	39
Handlers, Equipment Cleaners, Helpers and Laborers	158	120	38
<b>Unemployed, No Recent Civilian Work Experience</b>	8	0	8

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Equal Employment Opportunity File, (CD-ROM).

## Resources

### ⇒ Chamber of Commerce:

Glendive Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture, 313 S. Merrill Ave., Glendive, MT 59330, 406-365-5601

### ⇒ Department of Labor and Industry:

#### *Glendive Job Service*

211 S. Kendrick, Glendive, MT 59330, 406-365-3314

### *Montana Department of Labor & Industry's Office of Research & Analysis Publications*

For information on employment by industry, new businesses, labor market information, profile of the Montana worker, job projections to the year 2006 and hourly pay by occupation, contact the office at any of the numbers listed on the front of this publication or check out our Internet website at <http://rad.dli.state.mt.us/>.

### ⇒ Housing Costs:

Gateway Board of Realtors, 406-365-5201

### ⇒ Internet:

Montana Job Service home page for job listings at <http://jsd.dli.state.mt.us/>.

Cities and towns of Bloomfield, Glendive, Lindsay and Richey Home Pages—Use the Search Utilities on the Internet to find home pages for Montana cities.

### ⇒ Montana Motor Vehicle Division:

#### *Drivers' Licensing*

Glendive—301 N. Kendrick, 406-365-4330

### ⇒ Newspaper:

*Ranger-Review*, P. O. Box 61, Glendive, MT 59330, 406-365-3303

### ⇒ Public Libraries:

Glendive Public Library, 200 S. Kendrick, Glendive, MT 59330-1629, 406-365-3633

Richey Public Library, Main & Meadowlark, Richey, MT 59259-0149, 406-773-5585

### ⇒ Postsecondary Education Institution:

#### *Community College*

Dawson Community College, 300 College Drive, Glendive, MT 59330, 406-365-3396, <http://www.dawson.cc.mt.us>

### ⇒ Superintendent of Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:

Bloomfield Elementary, Box 25, Bloomfield, MT 59315, 406-583-7772

Dawson County High School, P. O. Box 701, Glendive, MT 59330, 406-365-5293

Deer Creek Elementary, 12 Road 564, Glendive, MT 59330, 406-377-2318

Glendive Elementary, Box 701, Glendive, MT 59330, 406-365-5293

Lindsay Elementary, P. O. Box B, Lindsay, MT 59339, 406-584-7592

Richey Public Schools, Box 60, Richey, MT 59259-0060, 406-773-5680

PLEASE NOTE: Because of time and budget constraints, we are only able to update our county flyers periodically. Individual tables are updated on a more frequent basis. You can call us if you'd like the most current information for a particular county. The Annual Averages for County Employment by Industry are updated annually, usually in June. The Top Employers are updated annually. Per Capita Income is usually released late spring. Population data for Montana is released in late December and county data in March. The Annual Average Labor Force information is benchmarked annually and numbers available before March. The other tables contain Census information and will be updated every 10 years. You can also look for more current information on our website listed on the front of this publication.

Dawson Employment By Industry*			
Annual Averages 1998			
Industry	# of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Paid
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	359	3,400	\$64,450,528
PRIVATE BUSINESS	325	2,522	\$45,709,104
AGRI, FORESTRY, FISH	3	8	\$84,850
MINING	10	82	\$3,706,384
Oil & Gas Extraction	9	67	\$2,811,375
CONSTRUCTION	36	56	\$821,827
General Building	8	8	\$92,837
Heavy Construction	5	8	\$117,819
Special Trade	22	42	\$810,971
MANUFACTURING	5	81	\$1,312,722
TRANS., COMMUN., UTILITIES	28	271	\$10,090,307
Trucking-Warehousing	8	12	\$365,451
Communication	9	83	\$2,581,925
Elec., Gas, Sanitation	8	139	\$8,030,808
WHOLESALE TRADE	24	160	\$2,915,135
Durable Goods	9	51	\$1,442,823
Nondurable Goods	15	108	\$1,472,312
RETAIL TRADE	84	783	\$8,439,780
Bldg Materials-Garden	7	48	\$527,878
Food Stores	7	134	\$2,267,169
Auto Dealers-Service Stations	17	154	\$2,435,458
Furniture Stores	9	30	\$449,094
Eating & Drinking	22	246	\$1,705,905
Miscellaneous Retail	18	73	\$1,213,795
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	28	125	\$2,939,079
Banking	9	79	\$1,888,945
Insurance Agents	7	25	\$644,183
Real Estate	9	18	\$223,737
SERVICES	106	982	\$14,381,339
Hotels & Lodging	9	152	\$1,049,891
Personal Services	8	30	\$477,155
Business Services	11	88	\$778,682
Auto Repair Services	8	28	\$427,277
Miscellaneous Repair Services	5	20	\$422,223
Amusement & Recreation	7	87	\$588,380
Health Services	17	407	\$8,358,164
Social Services	9	78	\$1,025,179
Membership Organizations	12	51	\$327,586
Engineering Services	7	28	\$464,497
Private Households	4	9	\$39,419
GOVERNMENT	34	878	\$18,741,424
State	10	242	\$5,578,082
Local	18	591	\$11,771,752
Federal	8	44	\$1,391,590

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research and Analysis. (Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data.)

\*Employment Covered by Unemployment Insurance.

## Per Capita Personal Income

	1970	1980	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Montana	\$3,558	\$8,842	\$15,038	\$15,947	\$16,541	\$17,571	\$17,590	\$18,286	\$18,872	\$19,680
% of National										
Average	87%	88%	79%	81%	81%	83%	80%	79%	78%	78%
Dawson County	\$3,496	\$9,792	\$13,557	\$14,689	\$15,678	\$16,604	\$16,659	\$17,558	\$18,315	\$18,325
% of National										
Average	86%	97%	71%	75%	76%	78%	76%	76%	76%	72%

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System. Released May 1999.

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**Dawson County**  
**1990 Census of Population and Housing**  
**Persons by Age, Race and Sex**

<i>School Age</i>	White		Black		American Indian		Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
							Islander					
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
5-11	1,094	528	0	0	11	7	7	3	10	5	3	1
12-14	442	206	0	0	4	3	1	1	3	2	1	0
15-17	420	203	0	0	5	3	4	4	5	5	0	0
18-21	442	209	0	0	7	3	1	1	4	2	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,398</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>

<i>Working &amp; Voting Age</i>	White		Black		American Indian		Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
							Islander					
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
16+	7,079	3,623	0	0	57	30	15	12	42	24	11	4
16-64	5,651	2,811	0	0	53	28	14	11	42	24	11	4
18+	6,801	3,490	0	0	52	27	13	10	39	21	11	4
18-64	5,373	2,678	0	0	48	25	12	9	39	21	11	4

<i>Other Age Group</i>	White		Black		American Indian		Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
							Islander					
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
0-4	819	296	0	0	11	4	3	1	7	5	3	2
5-17	1,956	937	0	0	20	13	12	8	18	12	4	1
18-44	3,438	1,703	0	0	40	21	10	8	28	13	8	2
45-64	1,935	975	0	0	8	4	2	1	11	8	3	2
62+	1,728	958	0	0	6	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
65+	1,428	812	0	0	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,378</b>	<b>4,723</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>7</b>

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Equal Employment Opportunity File, (CD-ROM).

**Dawson County**

<i>County of Residence</i>	<i># Who Work in Dawson County</i>	<i>County of Work</i>	<i># Who Live in Dawson County</i>
Out of State	61	Out of State	66
Custer County	20	Dawson County	4,092
Dawson County	4,092	Deer Lodge County	11
Park County	12	Fallon County	22
Prairie County	20	McCone County	37
Richland County	26	Richland County	70
Wibaux County	24	Wibaux County	32
Yellowstone County	26	Yellowstone County	14
Other Montana Counties	43	Other Montana Counties	28

Source 1990 Census Data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.